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## THE RESERVES ARE UNDER ORDERS

Work on Uncompleted Ships Rushed Day and Night—European Nations Pulling in Their Horns.

LONDON, Oct. 25.—The extent of British preparations revealed by today's information caused a strong reiteration of rumors of serious foreign complications. It is now said that Rear Admiral Lord Charles Beresford will command the Mediterranean squadron, and details of the activity at the dockyards and naval stations are coming in hot and fast.

The Associated Press learns, however, that whether or not Great Britain seriously fears Russian or French aggression, the naval preparations have been under consideration for several months, and it was the admiralty's intention to put them in force as soon as war was declared, deeming it necessary to increase the active strength of the navy and to insure the large fleet of transports against every possible contingency.

Whether later developments have transformed the admiralty's precautionary measures into preparations for a naval demonstration necessitated by European hostility is the question of the hour, and is as much a mystery to many high naval officers as to the public.

The exact condition of affairs consists of ordering the naval reserves to be in readiness to join their ships at 24

hours' notice, while all the cruisers of the reserve class have been ordered to be ready to sail in the same time limit. The vessels, although at the dockyards, are never out of commission, and are always supposed to be ready for immediate manning. A dozen cruisers, ranging from 6,000 to 11,000 tons, are now only awaiting the order to embark crews.

In addition to these preparations, work on the uncompleted vessels is being hurried by day and night, special attention being paid to the cruisers. This is taken by many naval authorities to indicate that Great Britain intends to form a menacing flying squadron. In the term "menacing" it is meant the force at sea is capable of preventing any interference in South African waters.

While the British officials do not conceal their knowledge of German, French and Russian antagonism and their irritation thereat, they do not give the slightest hint that European hostility will crystallize into any overt act. But the belief that Great Britain is on the verge of a crisis or even a conflict far greater than that in the Transvaal has many supporters, though the lack of all official confirmation favors the conservative view that the remarkable

military and naval activity is due to a desire to take thorough precautions, which, though ominous, have at present no special bearing upon Great Britain's European relations.

Advices from the continent strengthen this view. For instance, the Fremdenblatt of Vienna today says: "Nothing points to eventuality of intervention in Europe in favor of the Boers." The paper adds that "Germany especially has resolved not to depart from her attitude of neutrality."

### A BRAZEN COMBINE.

All Manufacturers of Brass Will Unite in One Giant Organization.

NEW YORK, Oct. 25.—A giant brass combine is being formed, which, it is stated, will comprise all the plants in the Naugatuck valley, Connecticut. The main office will be in this city.

Among the concerns that are reported to have already entered the trust are the Waterbury Brass Company of Waterbury, the Ansonia Brass and Copper Company of Ansonia, the Coe Brass Company of Torrington and the Coe Brass Company's new plant in Ansonia. The nucleus, it is said, represents an annual business of \$25,000,000 and a joint plant of \$6,000,000.

## FRANCE WILL NOT BOTHER ENGLAND

HAS OTHER FISH TO FRY

Will do Nothing to Jeopardize the Success of the Paris Exposition.

NEW YORK, Oct. 25.—A dispatch to the Times from Paris says:

There is much uncertainty as to the real state of affairs in the Transvaal and until the French know which way the cat will jump, their opinion is not very frankly expressed and is therefore difficult to guess. All their newspapers are outwardly hostile to Great Britain, but the editors of the chief organs to whom your correspondent has talked admit that they are with the

English at the bottom, although the traditions of the French press prevent them from saying so. The views entertained by M. Del Casse, the minister of foreign affairs, are precisely the same, and it is nonsense to declare, as some of the Paris papers are doing, that France and Russia propose to intervene in Africa and help the Boers.

France is watching with great interest the attitude of the German emperor with regard to the war. For some years past every successive French cabinet has been hypnotized by the movements of this young potentate, just like some historical subject under the manipulation of a professional mesmerizer. Whatever Emperor William does or seems inclined to do, calls for a great outcry here.

Paris, which is empty more and more both politically and socially, bids fair to become a mere hall of echoes.

The French are inclined to believe that Emperor William is no longer sympathetic with the Boers. Russia is entirely disinterested in the Transvaal. The Russian press denounces Great Britain on broad principles of morality and justice.

With Russia indifferent and Germany friendly, Great Britain has nothing to fear from France. Moreover, France has now but one idea, and that is the Paris exposition. Any statesman who would jeopardize the success of that show would bring about a revolution.

### NEW LEASE OF LIFE.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 25.—Harry Winters, sentenced to be hanged on next Friday at the state prison at Folsom for the murder of C. M. Andrews, has secured a temporary lease of life by the death of Warden Ault of the penitentiary. The prison directors have not yet chosen a successor to Ault, but have appointed a deputy warden. Attorney General Ford has decided that the deputy is not empowered to carry out the sentence of the court.

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